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TO: Testing Coordinators, Superintendents, and Principals
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SUBJECT: ISAT Testing

State Board rule requires all students in grades two through ten to take the Idaho Standards Achievement Tests in the Spring and Fall.

During the ISAT refresher hosted by NWEA and in follow-up conversations, it was communicated that 2nd grade testing was an option for Fall 2006. That is not accurate. Second graders must be tested in the upcoming fall testing window.

Science testing, considered a field test for Spring 2006, will be fully operational for grades 5, 7, and 10 in Spring 2007. Therefore, as was announced on August 24th, the science test is optional for schools and districts for the Fall 2006 testing window.

Please accept my apologies for any inconvenience or misunderstanding this error caused.

If you have further questions or concerns, please feel free to contact Rosemary Abell at 208.332.1573 or rosemary.abell@osbe.idaho.gov or accountability@osbe.idaho.gov.